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Steven Teig

Serial No.: 10/040,948

Filing Date: 1/5/02

For: LP METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
IDENTIFYING ROUTES

Examiner: Stacy Whitmore

Art Unit: 2812

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please delete the "Claim of Benefit to Prior Applications" on page 1, and insert therein a new "Claim of Benefit to Prior Applications" as follows:

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**--CLAIM OF BENEFIT TO PRIOR APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation application of United States Patent Application entitled "Routing Method and Apparatus that Utilizes Diagonal Routes," filed on December 7, 2001, and having serial number 10/013,819. This patent application also claims the benefit of the earlier-filed U.S. Provisional Patent Application entitled "Method and Apparatus that Utilize Diagonal Routes", having serial number 60/325,748, and filed 1/19/2001; U.S. Provisional Patent Application entitled "Routing Method and Apparatus", having serial number 60/314,580, and filed 8/23/2001; and U.S. Provisional Patent Application entitled "Routing Method and Apparatus", having serial number 60/337,504, and filed 12/6/2001. This patent application is also a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Patent Application 10/013,816, filed 10/19/01.--



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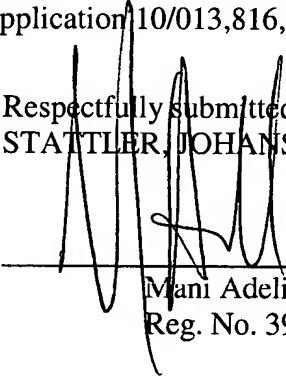
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**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment amends the claim of benefit to include a claim of priority to earlier filed U.S. Application 10/013,816, filed 10/19/01.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are also submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

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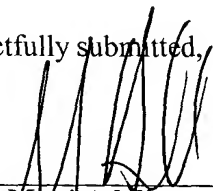
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